

## SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Hon. Benjamin Rogers Bruner and Mrs. Bruner have left for their home, Crescent Hill, Louisville, Ky. Dr. Bruner is the brother of Dr. Weston Bruner, a former minister of Richmond, and recently Secretary of State of Kentucky. Dr. and Mrs. Bruner have been visiting relatives in Raleigh, N. C. and this week they have attended the T. P. A. Convention in this city, where Dr. Bruner made an address, when the silver service was presented to D. W. Michaux, the retiring president of the association.

**Garden Party at Commonwealth.**  
The Richmond Chapter of the University of Virginia Alumni Association is giving a garden party on the lawn of the Commonwealth Club this evening at 8:30 o'clock. A number of class reunions will be held at the university during finals, and alumni from all over the country will be in Richmond for this entertainment. The Commonwealth Club is famous for its very charming parties, and this stag affair is being looked forward to by all of the club members in town.

**New Chapter Organized.**  
A chapter of United Daughters of the Confederacy has been recently organized in Goodland County. On Thursday the chapter held its first and enthusiastic meeting in the courthouse. Mrs. Bradley S. Johnson, of Tuckahoe, who had been previously elected president, called the meeting to order. She introduced Mrs. Walter Allen, chairman of Fifth District, who briefly outlined the objects of the association.

Mrs. Norman Randolph gave a delightful address, full of local history and wisdom. After a brief business session, dinner was served, and the meeting adjourned. Thirty-five names were enrolled, and others were given application blanks. Charles the lovely home, and two veterans, who are honorary members, were present also. The list of officers was completed, as follows: Mrs. Bradley S. Johnson, of Tuckahoe, president; Mrs. Lucy Campbell Dabney, East Lake, vice-president; Mrs. Cannon Hobson, Hyrd, second vice-president; Mrs. Howard Lawrence, Licking, third vice-president; Mrs. Thomas Stokes, Elk Hill, corresponding secretary; Mrs. T. Ashby Wickham, Lorraine, recording secretary and registrar; Mrs. Horace Buchanan, Vinita, treasurer.

**Mrs. Gooch Entertains.**  
Says the Roanoke Times:

Mrs. Garrett G. Gooch, Jr., gave a lovely party Wednesday afternoon in honor of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Watson Gooch, of Staunton, formerly of this city. The guests for the afternoon included Mrs. Gooch's most intimate friends during her residence here. The lower suite of the lovely home, decorated with many vases of daisies, Miss Emma Cook received the guests at the door, and Mrs. G. G. Gooch, Jr., received with the guest of honor. Auction bridge was played at eight tables, the game being followed by the serving of a daintily prepared luncheon.

The guests to meet Mrs. Watson Gooch were: Mrs. J. A. Bell, Mrs. D. W. Richardson, Mrs. Charles Dabney, Mrs. Elbridge Polindexter, Mrs. E. C. Ambler, Mrs. E. S. Becker, Mrs. Gooch Gooch, Mrs. Andrew Ayers, Miss Anna Terry, Mrs. Hugh Trout, Miss Charlotte Barnwell, Mrs. J. R. Ruff, Mrs. O. A. Kerns, Mrs. A. M. Nelson, Mrs. Chapman Carson, Mrs. W. S. Butler, Mrs. Fielding Polindexter, Mrs. W. W. Boyles, Mrs. Albert Conroy, Mrs. Edward L. Stone, Mrs. D. P. Sides, Mrs. Mason Jameson, Mrs. Junius C. Davenport, Mrs. R. S. Koehler, Mrs. George Moore, Mrs. Philip Trout, Mrs. D. W. Leach, Mrs. F. M. Hurt, Miss Airhart, Miss Annie Clark.

**Alumnae Luncheon.**  
The Hollins Alumnae Association gave a luncheon at the Lorraine Hotel, Norfolk, Tuesday, which was enjoyed

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by all. Reminiscences were exchanged and old times talked over. A program for the year was arranged.

Mrs. S. Marx, the president, gracefully answered to a toast by the charming toastmaster, Mrs. L. T. Royster. Other toasts were:

"To the Future Girl of Hollins," Mrs. M. Levy; "To Our Alma Mater," Mrs. Lavinia Lankford; "To the Societies," Miss Ruth Simpson.

**Hay Ride in Honor of Richmond Girl.**  
On Tuesday evening at 7:30, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Newman, of Farmville, entertained in honor of their guest, Miss Lina Lee McGee, of Richmond. The young people met at the home, where there were three hay wagons waiting to carry them to Pickett's Spring. They enjoyed a most delicious three-course spread on the lawn around this famous spring. After much merry making they started for Farmville, and after reaching there, at the host's home at 12 o'clock, dancing was in progress.

The following were present, chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. Newman and Misses Julia and Josephine Johnston: Misses Lina McGee, Ruth Hanton, Vera Paullett, Lucile Bullock, Elizabeth Jarman, Alice T. Richardson, Alice and Charlotte Dabney, Nannie Garnett, Mary Morris, Alitha Duvall, Martha King, Buzk, Helen Harris, Margaret Jackson, L. Richardson, Margaret Plippen and Patsy Watkins; John Moore, Walter Sanford, Walter Richardson, John Irving, Kenneth and Leander Green, Bob Richardson, Ebe Hurd, Edna Landon, Ernest Paullett, Harvey Adams, Willie Lancaster, Walter Gray, Gunningham Watkins, Booker Cunningham, Richard Paullett, Maurice and Elodie Chappell.

**French-Hires.**  
Miss Jean Lloyd Brent, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gordon Brent, of Alexandria, will be married this evening at 8 o'clock to David Milton French, in the home of the bride, 115 North Columbus Street. Miss Brent is a popular visitor in Richmond, and has been delightfully entertained here.

Cards have been received here announcing the marriage of Miss Sally Ann Ferguson to J. P. Gayle, of Newport News. Miss Gayle is the sister of Mrs. Kendall Ferguson, of West-Hampton.

**School Entertainment.**  
The principal and teachers and pupils of William Hufner School have been holding a series of entertainments this winter, and the last of the affairs will take place on Tuesday afternoon, and will be an ice cream party. This school is endeavoring to present a piano and roller chair to the Fire Camp.

**Adams-Thomas.**  
Miss Eliza L. Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Thomas, of King William County, and Lewis M. Adams, were married very quietly in Washington on Wednesday. Rev. William McKenny officiating.

**Quiet Wedding.**  
At the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Cavities, Walter Ernest Baugh, June 6, Miss Bertha Thwaitt Baugh was married to Dr. James O. Fitzgerald, Jr. Both are of Richmond. They left immediately for several days in Eastern Virginia. The announcement of their wedding at this time comes as a surprise to many of their friends. Miss Baugh is a graduate from Memorial Hospital. Dr. Fitzgerald is connected with the Virginia State Department of Health. They will make their home in Barton Heights.

**In and Out of Town.**  
Miss Ulline Bonne, who has spent the winter here as a pupil in Miss Ellett's school, returned on Friday to visit her sister, Mrs. W. L. Crockett, in Roanoke.

Mrs. J. Littleton Peebles is the guest of friends here for some time.

Mrs. Thomas Whitte has returned to Richmond after a visit to friends in New York.

Miss Pauline Powers, who has been ill at her home on Park Avenue, is rapidly recovering.

Mrs. Mary Lawson, who has been in New York recently, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. George Jennings.

Miss Henrietta Shapiro will leave to-morrow morning for Lynchburg to attend the marriage of Miss Fanny Rosenthal and Bernard Goldstein, on June 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan and children, of North Carolina, spent yesterday in Richmond en route to Lexington to attend the final exercises at Virginia Military Institute.

Reverend Thomas S. Dunaway has returned to Fredericksburg, after a brief stay here.

Police Commissioner D. F. McCarthy has returned from a trip to Washington.

Miss Julia Catharine Home, who has been visiting Mrs. Samuel Gordon Wallace, in Fredericksburg, is now the guest of Mrs. Faulkner, in Barton Heights.

Mrs. W. Withers Miller has as her guests Mrs. R. P. Buford and Miss Buford, of Lawrenceville, and Miss Bessie Maben, of Blackstone.

Mrs. Herman G. Tarter, wife of one of the physicians of the Norfolk and Western Railway Company, is visiting her parents, Captain and Mrs. Morgan R. Mills, at their home on Jefferson Park.

William C. Sneed, of Washington, D. C., formerly a member of the Richmond Blues, is a guest of Hotel Richmond.

## EDUCATORS HEAR MANY ADDRESSES

Association of Colleges and Schools for Girls Nears End of Annual Session.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Winchester, Va., June 13.—The seventh annual convention of the Virginia Association of Colleges and Schools for Girls, which has been in session since Wednesday, is drawing to a close. Officers are yet to be elected, and the next place of meeting is to be decided upon.

To-night's session opened with an address by Dr. H. E. Jordan, of the University of Virginia, on "War in Relation to Education of Women." He was greeted by a capacity house, and his address was declared to have been one of the ablest made during the convention.

"How Schools and Colleges May Utilize the Dramatic Instinct" was discussed at the morning session by Miss Orie L. Hatcher, of Bryn Mawr, and Madame de Chaboulon, of Port Loudoun Seminary, spoke on "Mime as a Factor in a Girl's Education." Miss Sarah Meete, of Mary Baldwin Seminary, addressed the large gathering on the subject of "The Place of Domestic Science."

This afternoon's session opened with another general discussion, which at times was animated and spirited, on "Relative Emphasis Upon Composition and Literature," the discussions being led by Dr. Virgil Jones, of Sweet Briar College, Miss Anne Stewart, Etheridge, of Virginia College, and Miss Mabel Kennedy, of Randolph-Macon Institute.

A wide variety of questions and topics were presented by members of the association, and were taken up and discussed vigorously.

An overflowing audience last night heard Dr. John W. Weyland, of Harrisburg, lecture on "Stonewall Jackson's Valley Campaign," which was rendered exceptionally attractive by the charts and maps made by Dr. Weyland.

Jackson was not only a born fighter, being of Scotch-Irish descent, said the lecturer, but his whole life was in a sense battle with poverty, and poverty, which characterized his youth, to the series of brilliant military victories which made up his brief but successful career as a general in the Confederate army. He was like a medieval knight, both a soldier and a saint. His character is something of a composite, for he was as pious as Cromwell, as droll as Napoleon, as tactician as William the Silent, and as brave as Marshal Ney.

Addressing the convention on "Local History," Robert T. Barton, of the Winchester Star, first outlined the connection of George Washington with this section, his work as the builder of Port Loudoun and the conflicts with Indians. When he turned to Stonewall Jackson's association with Winchester, which Jackson always called his "war home," Mr. Barton became reminiscent and told of his own recollections of the time when he followed "Old Jack" and knew him personally.

Intimate first-hand knowledge of the subject, an unusually graphic style in description and narrative, and a keen sense of humor and ready wit, combined to give the liveliest sort of interest to this talk.

Members of the association congratulated themselves on the opportunity to learn Jackson's personality from one who knew him so intimately.

Mr. Barton undertook especially to show that his hero is also humorous. Mr. Barton showed by many interesting and humorous anecdotes that Jackson, though one of the world's heroes, was also intensely human.

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## HER DISAPPEARANCE NOT FIRST IN FAMILY

Actions of Lord Churston's Wife Follow Those of His Sister-in-Law.

BY LA MARQUESE DE FONTENAY.

LORD CHURSTON, whose actress wife was last week the subject of our daily dispatches, stating that she was missing, and that she was on both sides of the Atlantic had been requested to look out for her, has had an American sister-in-law, wife of his brother, the Hon. Walter Yarde-Buller, and second son of the Marquis of D. D. Blair, of San Francisco, who she married in 1886 Walter Yarde-Buller. A few years later she began a series of suits of the most sensational character, her husband in the English courts, her charges, never established, being denounced by him as the phantasies of a lunatic.

These assertions of his received a certain amount of confirmation by the fact that when she returned to the United States, attempts were made by her relatives in California to place her under restraint. Calling herself "Lady Yarde-Buller," a title to which, of course, she had no right, she furnished a tremendous amount of material for the stories of a more or less dramatic character, by her efforts to resist arrest and by her repeated escapes.

Since last year some of the standard papers have intimated that her death took place in 1902. Her statement of her demise has not been verified, and it is generally understood that she is still living, and necessarily under restraint somewhere, since her intimate friends have been undoubtedly heard of again.

Lord Churston is the head of the fine old Devonshire family of Buller, the first peer of the line having been the grandfather of the present peer. Lord Churston was born in 1862, and is now 50 years of age. His father, Lord Churston, was a "Sir Robert Peel" type of pattern country gentleman. Lord Churston owns about 12,000 acres of land in Devonshire and Cornwall, and his marriage during his father's lifetime, to an actress, had a disastrous effect on his estate.

His real name was Jesse Smithers, was followed by a sensational suit for breach of promise.

A year previous to his marriage, while serving on the staff of Lord Churston, he was taken to court by Buller, as he was then, eloped with the beautiful Mrs. Atherton, wife of Colonel Atherton, commanding the Twelfth Lancers, at Melrose. Colonel Atherton had no alternative but to sue for a divorce, his wife naming Buller as co-defendant. It was naturally expected that Buller would, as soon as the decree was made absolute, marry Mrs. Atherton. But, much to the dismay of the lady, he went off and married another woman.

Instead, thereupon Mrs. Atherton promptly brought an action against John Buller for \$100,000 damages, although she did not need any money, having a fortune to the tune of \$1,000,000. She won her case, but while she won her case, she obtained no damages or costs, it being rightly claimed that the promise to marry her was given by Buller when she was still the wife of Colonel Atherton, and that it was therefore a somewhat immoral contract.

Mrs. Atherton, who is a sister of Sir Aubrey Dean Paul, not content with the notoriety thus attained, a few years later brought a suit for damages against her sister-in-law, Lady Paul, for having asserted that she had been turned out of one of the leading hotels at Cairo, owing to the refusal of the principal guests there to remain under the same roof with her.

Altogether, the English aristocrat had instituted divorce proceedings against her, naming a young duke of great wealth, and whose matrimonial affairs have of late been engaging the attention of the public on both sides of the Atlantic, as co-defendant. But the matter was hushed up, and, in course of the evidence given by Colonel Atherton in another case some years later, he admitted under cross-examination that if he had abandoned his wife, it was because she was the peer in question in 1901, it was because friends had interfered, and had persuaded him to accept his wife's explanation of her conduct. He might have added that the intervention was entirely the work of King Edward, who was desirous to avert domestic scandals, to avoid everything calculated to impair the reputation of English society, and to prevent honored and historic names from being dragged in the muddy gutter.

Evelyn Grant-Duff, who has just been appointed British minister at Bern, must not be confounded with his elder brother, Arthur Grant-Duff, now minister at Dresden, and who has an American wife, in Kathleen Clay, daughter of General Powell Clayton, former United States ambassador in Mexico. Arthur Grant-Duff met his wife in Mexico, and married her while minister resident in Vienna. Evelyn Grant-Duff's wife is an Englishwoman, a daughter of Sir George Bonham, who was for so many years envoy in Switzerland. So that in taking up her residence at Bern with her husband,

Mrs. Evelyn Grant-Duff returns to the scene of her girlhood. Evelyn, who has the Cross of the Order of St. Michael and St. George, in her name, is a member of the English diplomatic service, and speaks Persian with the utmost fluency. A knowledge which she acquired during the six years that she spent at Teheran, and was secretary of the embassy of Lord Dufferin, to the Shah of Persia, and the former Shah. He is one of the sons of the late Sir Mountstuart Grant-Duff, who was under Secretary of State for India, and of the Colonies, Governor of Madras, and Lord rector of Aberdeen University, and has inherited a considerable amount of his father's cleverness.

The late Sir Mountstuart Grant-Duff's name has been widely read in this country. He tells a curious story of how one day at a dinner at Government House, Madras, the conversation turned on the strange fate of the Mayflower, which, after taking the Pilgrim Fathers to America, was finally lost with cargo, cotton goods and other valuable property. Madras, whereupon his private secretary pulled out of his pocket and offered for the inspection of those present a gold coin, dug up in a neighborhood near the wreck, which had been riding and which he had purchased there and there. It was a coin dating from the days of Imperial Rome, and bearing the effigy and name of Emperor Vespasian, and the inscription "P. Vespasianus Augustus." It showed that it had been struck in honor of the subjugation of the Britons, that is to say, nearly 2,000 years ago. How that coin had found its way from Rome to this obscure village in the Indian Presidency of Madras, furnished a theme for the most interesting speculation.

Talking of dinners, Sir Mountstuart Grant-Duff gives a striking illustration in his diaries of the tax on colonial governors resulting from the depreciation in question entertains of being invited to dinner by the governor, considering themselves slighted in the Indian Presidency of Madras, which show that during his four years of office as governor of Madras, no had been obliged to issue 7,512 invitations to dinner, out of which 1,388 had been declined, leaving a grand total of 6,124 people who had dined with him at his expense, as his guests.

It is perfectly true that the salary of the Governor of Madras amounts to about \$80,000 a year, and that he also has a liberal allowance. But when one is forced to entertain on such a colossal scale, even emoluments such as these do not go a very long way. And let me add that the Governor of Madras is less afflicted in this manner than the Governor of India or the Governor of Bombay. For whereas, as every one who visits India goes to Bombay or Calcutta, there are many who leave Madras out of their itinerary.

It is not only English colonial governors who are saddled with obligations of this kind. They weigh still more heavily on the Governors-General of the Philippines, and upon the Governor of Porto Rico, since every American tourist who visits either of these dependencies of the United States considers himself entitled to an invitation to dinner at Government House.

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**GONZALES NAMED FOR HAVANA POST**

South Carolina Man Wilson's Choice for Minister to Cuba.

Washington, June 12.—The President to-day made the following nominations:

To be minister to Cuba, William E. Gonzales, of Columbia, S. C.

To be minister to Nicaragua, Benjamin L. Jefferson, of Colorado.

To be minister to Costa Rica, Edward J. Hale, of North Carolina.

The Senate to-day confirmed the appointment of William H. Berry as collector of customs at Philadelphia. Mr. Berry's nomination was made early in President Wilson's administration, and had been pending in the Senate with a favorable report from a committee since May 2. Confirmation had been opposed until to-day by Senators Oliver and Penrose.

The case of Mrs. Longstreet, widow of the Confederate general, for whom a successor has been named by President Wilson, as postmistress at Gainesville, Ga., also was before the Senate again to-day. Friends of Mrs. Longstreet have determined to request the appointment of a subcommittee to investigate the circumstances connected with the change in the Gainesville office. Action upon the confirmation of her successor, Mrs. W. J. Ham, was deferred by the Senate.

## DR. L. M. BLACKFORD ENDS LONG SERVICE

Resigns as Principal of Episcopal High School After Forty-Three Years in This Position.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Alexandria, Va., June 13.—Dr. Laurence Minor Blackford has tendered his resignation of principal of the Episcopal High School after forty-three years' continuous service as such. This was announced at the seventy-fourth annual commencement exercises yesterday.

Professor H. Hoxton, associate principal, succeeds him. Mr. Blackford, now seventy-six years old, is one of the oldest educators in the State.

## ARMSTRONG MADE T. P. A. PRESIDENT

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Richmond. This last of the numerous impromptu ballads, which have been a characteristic feature of the whole convention, was as follows:

And now we all  
Will give a toast,  
To Richmond folk,  
Our genial hosts.  
We never had  
A better time,  
We wish them well,  
For Auld Lang Syne.

The officers, other than president, elected yesterday, are as follows:

C. Walton Saunders, of Richmond, first vice-president; William O'Neill, of Colorado, second vice-president; L. H. Fisher, of New York, third vice-president; John A. Lynch, of Florida, fourth vice-president; John A. Guice, of Mississippi, fifth vice-president.

Directors outside of St. Louis: Ben G. Thompson, of Indiana; W. O. D. D. of Louisiana; and George E. Hegemon, of Nebraska.

Directors in St. Louis: Herman Goessling, for one year, J. M. Bull, for two years, and George Stephens, for two years.

The chairman of national committees were elected as follows: J. Y. Williams, of Virginia, legislative committee; R. R. Borge, of Pennsylvania, Trunk Line Passenger Association; J. R. Crawford, of Indiana, Central Passenger Association; M. W. Jolner, of Virginia, Southern Passenger Association; J. W. Graves, of Texas, Southwestern Passenger Association; W. H. Knell, of Wisconsin, Western Passenger Association; Charles A. Nelson, of Chicago, national press committee; Albert Ehrlich, of Georgia, hotel committee; Charles G. Lee, of North Carolina, employment; E. G. Smith, of Louisiana, good roads and public utility.

**For Mr. and Mrs. Clowes.**  
E. H. Clowes, who was chairman of the committee that arranged the entertainments for the women guests of the T. P. A. convention, was yesterday presented by them with a very loving cup, while Mrs. Clowes received a handsome set of silver spoons.

The entertainments planned for the women were especially attractive, and the committee has received many thanks for them. The arrangements for the 300 women guests were carried out. The trip to the Sauer's plant, and the luncheon served there, were especially enjoyable. The women were entertained with a very interesting and amusing program, beginning with a reception last Monday morning and ending with a ball last night.

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Modern 'Raffles' Caught in Saloon

Man Suspected of Robbing Homes of Well-to-Do Residents of Portsmouth.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
Portsmouth, Va., June 12.—Suspect of being the modern "Raffles" who has been robbing the homes of well-to-do residents of Portsmouth and the Hardy Homestead section, J. C. Anderson, a former member of the Portsmouth City Council, was arrested to-night in a Main Street saloon. Two of the victims of the recent epidemic of robberies, E. L. Lash, president of the Bank of Tidewater, and H. C. Anderson, of the same bank, the man who entered their homes and took their money and valuables.

The robbery of the Lash home, in Portsmouth, was an unusually bold one. The thief entered the house and covered Mr. Lash with a revolver, compelling him to call to his daughter, in the next room, who brought her father's money and watch and handed them to the burglar. She also brought the father's revolver, but he refused to use it, saying he did not want the life of any one on his hands. Anderson declined to talk when arrested.

**Creditable Play by Dramatic Club.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Acheson, Va., June 12.—Under the auspices of the Gloucester Agricultural Association of Tidewater Virginia, the Dramatic Club gave a benefit play, "Among the Breakers," at Red Men's Hall here yesterday evening. The performance was enthusiastically received by residents of lower Gloucester, who appreciated the excellent display of dramatic talent among those who participated.

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